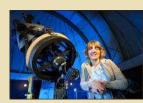


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An artist's rendering shows what a parklet could look like on Main Street.

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City and DelDOT debate feasibility, safety of mini parks $\begin{vmatrix} c \\ c \end{vmatrix}$

By JOSH SHANNON jshannon@chespub.com

Starting next spring, Main Street will get an overhaul, one that all sides agree is badly needed.

"The road is lousy — everybody knows it," said George LeCates, a pavement management technician for the Delaware Department of Transportation. The busy road hasn't been repaved since around 2004. What's up for debate, however, is exactly what kind of features the project will include.

DelDOT and city officials held a public meeting Tuesday to garner feedback on a variety of ideas. Attendees were asked to fill out surveys about what they would like to see on Newark's most prominent road.

The project definitely will include repaving the road from Marrows Road to South Main Street and installing Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant curb ramps, LeCates said. Those things are part of DelDOT's regular maintenance schedule and will fix the potholes and other issues on Main Street, he said.

However, city officials have a more ambitious vision, one that includes the installation of several "parklets" along Main Street.

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Cleveland Avenue changes approved

By JOSH SHANNON jshannon@chespub.com

City council on Monday unanimously approved several changes intended to improve safety and reduce congestion on Cleveland Avenue, long considered one of the most dangerous roads in the state.

The changes will be implemented as part of a repaving project set for the summer of 2019 and are the result of more than a year of studies and public hearings conducted by an advisory committee made up of city staffers, residents, state transportation officials and representatives of Cleveland Avenue businesses.

"This is making the best of a difficult situation. The overall takeaway is we're making the road safer and we've made multimodal improvements," Councilwoman Jen

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The week ahead

Food Truck Fight: *Tonight, 6 to 9 p.m., at Market East Plaza, 280 E. Main St.* Two food trucks, Outlandish and Kapow Kitchen, will compete using the theme "Harry Potter vs. Lord of the Rings" as inspiration for their menu and decorations. Customers will vote on the winner inside Captain Blue Hen Comics.

Newark Historic Buildings Bicycle Tour: Saturday, 10 a.m., at the corner of Main and Academy streets. BikeNewark and the Newark Bike Project will sponsor a bike tour featuring stops at several historic buildings. Tour guide Gemma Tierney will discuss the history of each building as well as the buildings' architectural features. Free, but registration required at bikenewark.org/newark-history-bike-tour.

Fix-it Cafe: Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Glasgow Park Bank Barn, 2275 Pulaski Highway. Attendees can bring a broken lamp, vacuum, waffle iron, sewing machine or other item and work beside an experienced volunteer to repair the item. Free.

Book signing: Saturday, 3 to 6 p.m., at Ebenezer United Methodist Church, 525 Polly Drummond Hill Road. Dr. Anand Panwalker will sign his book, "The Place of Cold Water," which tells the tale of an Indian immigrant family in British Kenya. Free

Folk tales and firelight: Saturday, 7 p.m., at Iron Hill Museum, 1355 Old Baltimore Pike. Event features a bonfire as well as by storyteller Ellie Woodruff. Bring chairs or blankets and marshmallows to roast. \$2 per person.

Eclipse watching: Monday, 1 to 3:30 p.m., at White Clay Creek State Park's Car-penter Recreation Area, 880 New London Road. Locals are invited to come watch the solar eclipse with a park naturalist. Eclipse glasses will be provided to the first 200 visitors. Free, but park fees apply.

Eclipse watching: Monday, 1 to 2:30 p.m., at Kirkwood Library, 6000 Kirkwood Highway. Attendees can pick up eclipse glasses or make a pinhole viewer projector to safely view the solar eclipse. Free.

Departmental budget hearing: Monday, 6 p.m., at city hall, 220 S. Main St. City council discuss the budgets for the public works department

Energy conservation workshop: Wednesday, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., at city hall, 220 S. Main St. Two workshops will teach attendees ways to conserve energy and, in turn, save money on their utility bills. Workshop attendees will receive an energy conservation kit (one per household) that includes LED light bulbs, a sensor night-light, caulk and a caulk gun. RSVP by calling 302-366-7000. Free. **Concert:** Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., at White Clay Creek State Park's Carpenter Recre-ation Area, 880 New London Road. The band Chorduroy will perform as part of the

park's weekly summer concert series. Free, but park fees apply.

Special council meeting: Aug. 25, 3 p.m., at city hall, 220 S. Main St. Council will discuss a job description for the city manager position.

For more events, visit newarkpostonline.com/calendar. To submit listings, go online or email news@newarkpostonline.com. Information runs in the print edition as space is available.

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'You don't have to be an adult to make a change'

at Newark Charter School,

began his lobbying effort af-

ter he saw similar pavement

markings while visiting New

Jersey and realized it could

a good idea to write a letter to

the mayor, so I did and I used

my letter writing skills from

school and I wrote the letter,"

In the handwritten letter,

Joey noted he's seen two car

crashes at the intersection in

just the last three months. He

also drew a diagram of the in-

tersection and where he thinks

that most people who drive

through this intersection don't stop at the stop signs,"

he wrote. "One reason you

should put these words on the

road is because it is cheap. It

is much cheaper than putting

a traffic light up and sending a

"The reason I ask of this is

the markings should go.

"My mom said it would be

work here in Newark.

he said.

9-year-old lobbies for safety upgrade on Casho Mill Rd.

By JOSH SHANNON jshannon@chespub.com

A Newark intersection is about to become safer thanks to a suggestion from a 9-yearold boy.

Tired of seeing motorists run stop signs in front of his family's home at the corner of Casho Mill and Church roads, Joey Tosh-Morelli wrote a letter to Mayor Polly Sierer and then attended a traffic committee meeting to pitch his idea — painting the words "Stop ahead" on the road surface as an additional warning to drivers.

"I thought that would be a good idea to put at our intersection because there's been a lot of screeching and beeping recently," Joey told the committee Tuesday.

After a brief discussion, the committee unanimously supported the idea.

"It's a great idea, and a great suggestion we'll follow through on," Deputy Public Works Director Tim Filasky said.

The intersection has a fourway stop, but Filasky said that many drivers on Casho Mill Road blow through the stop signs. Part of the problem is that the road is wide, making the stop signs less noticeable than on a narrow street.

"It's easily missed," Filasky said. The new pavement mark-

ings will provide another visual clue to drivers that they need to stop, he added.

Part of Old Baltimore Pike to close next week

Part of Old Baltimore Pike will be closed next week to allow for road work to be completed.

From 9 a.m. Monday through 6 a.m. Aug.



Joey Tosh-Morelli tells members of the traffic committee why they should support his idea to paint "Stop ahead" on the pavement to warn drivers to stop at the corner of Casho Mill and Church roads.

Joey, a rising fourth-grader is a car accident."

After receiving the letter, Sierer invited Joey to address the traffic committee, which is comprised of city officials, Newark Police officers, a representative from WILMAP-CO and a resident.

After the meeting, Joey was all smiles.

"I'm really happy my idea actually gets to be put on the road," he said.

His mom, Kristen Tosh-Morelli concurred

"I'm very proud of him. He gets to see you don't have to be an adult to make a change in your neighborhood," she said. "It's refreshing to see city leaders respect him despite his age.

Sierer said she will make sure Joey is there when city workers paint the words on the road.

"It's so important to have children reach out to us," she said. "For them, it's an educacop out here every time there tional process."

> 27, the road will be closed between Route 72 and the west side of Dayett Mill Road.

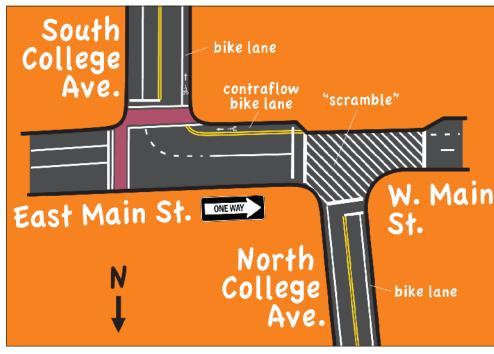
> Though the closure affects only a short portion of roadway, it will require motorists to be detoured around the area.

> The project includes repaving, drainage improvements and upgrades to curb ramps.



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GRAPHIC COURTESY OF BIKENEWARK This graphic shows the configuration of the new contraflow bike lane on Main Street.



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A new contraflow bike lane provides cyclists a legal way to ride the wrong way down Main Street to get from North College Avenue to South College Avenue.

Contraflow lane gives cyclists alternative route on Main Street

By JOSH SHANNON jshannon@chespub.com

A new contraflow bike lane provides cyclists with a legal way to ride the wrong way down Main Street to get from North College Avenue to South College Avenue.

The pilot program — suggested by the cycling advocacy group BikeNewark and agreed to by the city and the Delaware Department of Transportation - was implemented earlier this month and will run through the end of the school year. If successful, supporters hope the pavement markings and signage are made permanent when Main Street is repaved next year.

by a double yellow line.

Under the new configuration, cyclists heading south on North College Avenue wait in the bike lane until traffic stops and pedestrians are allowed to cross Main Street. Yielding to pedestrians, cyclists ride across Main Street and utilize the contraflow lane to get to the bike lane on South College Avenue. The contraflow lane is thought to

be the first of its kind in Delaware, largely because of the unique challenge that intersection presents.

Because North and South College avenues don't align and Main Street is one way, motorists have to turn right from North College

around to Delaware Avenue to get to South College Avenue.

However, many cyclists choose not to do that, BikeNewark Chair Mark Deshon explained. Instead, they go straight across Main Street and cut through the University of Delaware's Trabant Patio.

That shortcut proved fatal in 2015 when UD student Matthew Rosin was hit by a bike and later died from his injuries. In response, UD Police put up signs requiring cyclists to dismount and walk their bikes while crossing the patio, a move that did not sit well with many cyclists.

"No self-respecting cyclist wants

The thin new lane is marked off Avenue onto Main Street and loop to get off and walk their bike," De- trians cross Main Street and North shon said. "That's like asking a pedestrian to get down on all fours."

UD rejected BikeNewark's first suggested alternative, Deshon said, declining to detail that proposal. The group then approached DelDOT with a proposal for the contraflow lane.

At a Newark Traffic Committee meeting in May, a Newark Police representative expressed concern that cyclists crossing at the intersection at the same time as pedestrians could cause safety issues. The intersection - which during class changes sees a flood of students crossing — employs a "scramble phase" in which pedes-

College Avenue at the same time. The new configuration requires cyclists heading to the contraflow lane to cross then, too.

Despite the initial concerns, the committee - made up of representatives of the police, the city, WILMAPCO and a resident - ultimately approved the pilot program unanimously.

"Hopefully, over time, it will become part of the normal practice at that intersection," Deshon said.

New signage instructs cyclists how to use the contraflow lane, and BikeNewark is circulating an online video demonstrating the new configuration.

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Gunman robs Dunkin' **Donuts on Elkton Road**

By JOSH SHANNON jshannon@chespub.com

A Newark doughnut shop was robbed at gunpoint Monday night, police said.

A masked man entered the Dunkin' Donuts at 1142 Elkton Road just before the 9 p.m. closing time, pointed a handgun at a clerk and demanded money, according build and wearing a mask to Lt. Fred Nelson, a spokes-

man for the Newark Police release any surveillance Department. The clerk, a 34-year-old

man, gave the robber an undisclosed amount of money, and the robber ran out of the store.

The robber is described as a black man in his mid 20s, between 5 feet 10 inches and 6 feet tall with a medium over his face. Police did not

camera footage.

Anyone with information regarding this investigation should contact Det. Daniel Bystricky at 302-366-7100 ext. 3136 or DBystricky@ newark.de.us

According to Newark Post archives, Monday's incident is at least the seventh robbery at that Dunkin' Donuts since 2010.



The Dunkin' Donuts on Elkton Road was robbed at gunpoint Monday night.



Cops, bartenders prepare for students' return

Newark Police, University of Delaware Police and Delaware Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement joined together Tuesday for the fifth-annual Newark Nightlife Partnership Conference. The event, held at UD's Courtyard Marriott hotel, trained bartenders on Delaware's laws for serving alcohol. The crowd also heard a speech from Chris Sandy, a Georgia man who spent eight years in prison for a drunken-driving crash that killed two people. Sandy now travels the country speaking about the consequences of driving drunk.

Police investigating burglary in Nottingham Green

Someone broke into a Nottingham Green home last week, police said. Lt. Fred Nelson, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, said

the burglary happened sometime between 7:30 and 9 a.m. on Aug. 10 in the unit block of Radcliffe Drive. The burglar forced his or her way

in through the back door of the home and stole \$900 worth of items from a bedroom.

Officers searched the area, but came up empty.

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Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact Det. William Anderson at 302-366-7100 ext. 3469 or WAnderson@newark. de.us.

Wilmington man charged with shoplifting at Newark drug store

A Wilmington man was arrested last week for allegedly stealing from a drug store in Suburban Pla-

za Employees at the Walgreens reported the incident just before 4 p.m. Aug. 10 and told police a man left with-

several items and then went across the parking lot to Plato's Closet, said Lt. Fred Nelson, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

An officer found the man inside Plato's Closet and arrested him. Authorities found two stolen razors, valued at \$70, in his vehicle, Nelson said.

The defendant, Nicholas Biordi, 37, was charged with shoplifting and was committed to the Howard Young Correctional institution in lieu of \$2,000 bond. He was also found to have several outstanding capiases, Nelson said.

Shotgun, ammo stolen from car in Newark apartment complex

Someone stole a gun and ammunition from a car parked in the Christina Mill Apartments off Elkton Road last week.

The victim, a 36-year-old Illinois man, told police he had parked his car at the apartment complex at 10 p.m. Aug. 9, according to Lt. Fred Nelson, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

When the man returned to his car at 7 a.m. the next morning, the door was ajar, and a 12-guage shotgun, a shotgun case and ammunition were missing. The items are worth a total of \$1,217, Nelson said.

Police found no signs of forced entry.

Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact Officer Domingo Velasquez at 302-366-7100 ext. 3496 or DVelasquez@newark.de.us

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Food Bank's hot dog cart provides second chances

By JANE BELLMYER jbellmyer@chespub.com

It looks like a simple hot dog cart catering to the lunchtime crowd off South Chapel Street, but according to the Delaware Food Bank, it is so much more.

Just ask Kasha Allen and Lenny McClain, graduates of the Food Bank's Culinary Arts School.

On a sunny day last week, the pair was happily setting beef dogs onto soft rolls and covering them with such things as hoisin sauce, jalapeño peppers or plain old ketchup.

"I like spicy mustard and relish myself," McClain, 38, said as he worked the cart, which is on loan to the Food Bank through a memorandum of understanding with the Delaware Department of the Visually Impaired.

McClain and Allen came to the culinary arts program after their release from the criminal justice system.

"I always wanted to cook. I like cooking," Allen, 26, said. "My probation officer introduced me to this program."

For McClain, a trip to the Delaware Department of Labor and a meeting with a job counselor led him to the program. "When I told him my sto-

ry he said, "Try the Food Bank," McClain said.

The program provides 14 weeks of study and hands-



Kesha Allen, center, works on filling a hot dog order from Ed Matarese, left, from Newark. Lenny McClain, right, also working the Delaware Food Bank Cart, waits his turn to fill another order.

on learning five days per menu planning, how to manweek at the Food Bank on age staff. I really enjoyed Garfield Way. Allen then the program," she said. took the Management First program, which taught the business side of running any kind of eatery.

The Food Bank's culinary program, which began in 2002, has had over 550 graduates, according to Food Bank "You learn ordering food, spokeswoman Kim Turner.

The next class begins Sept. 25, and anyone is welcome to enroll.

We do require they have at least a high school diplo-ma or GED," Turner said, adding there are scholarships available to cover the

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\$5,700 cost for those who are eligible.

She said the organization eagerly helps anyone who went through the training, and the hot dog cart is just another way of doing so.

if you graduated five years ago," she said.

The hot dog cart will operate from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at the Food Bank. On Wednesdays it moves to Dawson Drive in an arrangement with Hooke Interiors.

For those whose favorite lunch food is not a hot dog, the culinary grads also offer chicken sandwiches. Every week, there is a special creation.

McClain hinted what may be forthcoming.

"I like chicken breasts, I like broccoli ... mac and cheese made with heavy cream," he said.

Allen said she appreciates that help, which propelled her into the management program. She said her criminal history was working against her, because she had no experience.

"But now I can say I have experience," she said. The school also has sup-

port, including from local businesses including Hooke Interiors and Barclay's.

"Barclay's gave us \$75,000 to operate the cart and to provide scholarships to the Management First program," Turner said.

To find out more about the Culinary Arts and Management First programs call Jessica Neal at the Delaware Food Bank, 302-292-"We provide support even 1305, extension 265.



Prices start as low as \$12 and includes internet. Deadline is Thurs. at 4:30 pm for following Friday edition

Newark artist draws inspiration from family history

Bv JESSICA IANNETTA jiannetta@chespub.com

On some level, Yolanda Chetwynd has always known she was going to be an artist. But it wasn't until she was 15 years old that she said so out loud for the first time

just sort of said, 'What's tive England, India, Spain

your thing?' And I said, 'Oh, I'm going to be an artist,'" she recalled. "As soon as I said it, I'm like 'Oh, I didn't know that.' But I thought, yeah that's what I'm going to do."

That simple pronouncement has sent Chetwynd on a decades-long journey "Someone asked me, they that has spanned her na-

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The INNternationalé Residence, Conference, & World Cafe 153 COURTNEY STREET, NEWARK, DE 19711 and Newark, where she has lived since 1987. In January, Chetwynd was awarded the Delaware Division of Arts' Master Fellowship, one of the highest honors for a Delaware artist.

That award comes with a grant for \$10,000 that Chetwynd used to create her exhibit "Family Story of Migration," which tells the story of her husband's family's life in India, and will be on display at the Mezzanine Gallery in Wilmington from Sept. 1 to 29. Some of her paintings are also currently on display at the Biggs Museum of American Art in Dover through Oct. 22.

Chetwynd grew up in Lon-don "surrounded by art." Both her great-grandmothers on her mother's side were artists and were part of the first generation of woman to go to art school. Her father was a writer and her mother is an artist, so Chetwynd recalled being introduced to art at an early age. Her family history has, in turn, influenced her art, including a graphic novel Chetwynd wrote and il-lustrated titled "Invasion," which tells the story of her Jewish grandmother, who lived in France during World War II. That novel started out as a thank you gift for her uncle, who

loved graphic novels, and

was originally based on

Art Spiegelman's "Maus,"



PHOTO COURTESY OF YOLANDA CHETWYND

These two paintings were both created by Yolanda Chetwynd, a Newark artist who recently won the Delaware Division of Arts' Master Fellowship. The painting on the left is one of series of paintings depicting the butchering of pigs that is currently on display at the Biggs Museum of American Art in Dover. The painting on the right is part of an exhibit titled "Family Story of Migration," which will be on display at the Mezzanine Gallery in Wilmington for the month of September.

Holocaust survivor using animals characters instead of humans. Chetwynd later rewrote her graphic novel without the animal characters, though both versions are available in full on her website, yolandachetwynd. com.

"I wanted to do one that was actual portraits of my-self and my grandmother," she said. "So I ended up changing it and I think it became better because of it."

Chetwynd's Wilmington exhibit however, draws on the struggle of her huswhich tells the story of a band's family during the ago to mark the 10th an-

partitioning of India and Pakistan. Over the course of 10 paintings, Chetwynd shows scenes from her inlaws' life, from stoic images of her mother-in-law on a swing while pregnant, to her in-laws watching their home being burned down. The frames around the paintings are shaped liked buildings and, when taken together, form a skyscape, Chetwynd said.

The inspiration for those paintings comes from a trip Chetwynd and her husband took to India a few years

niversary of her in-laws' death. Much of their extended family had traveled to India for the occasion and Chetwynd's brother-in-law interviewed people about the family's history to make a short film, which became the basis for her paintings.

"I really wanted to tell that story. But not just the dramatic part of them kind of losing everything. But how they had everything, lost everything and then regained everything," she said.

And while the paintings on display at the Biggs Museum — a series of paintings depicting the butchering of pigs in a small, rural village that Chetwynd visited in southern Spain — don't draw on her family history, Chetwynd hopes they're equally thought-provoking.

She recalled a conversation her husband overhead between two people viewing the paintings who couldn't decide whether they had been done by someone who really likes meat or by someone who's a vegetarian. Chetwynd, a vegetarian, said she was thrilled that the visitors couldn't tell.

"The stories are not just about telling stories. They're about thinking of stories that really help people to think about how to treat each other," she said. "The paintings are there to kind of help you see what the issues are and then to make up your mind."

Girl Scouts announce new STEM, outdoors badges

By JESSICA IANNETTA

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Girl Scouts of the USA recently released new badges for STEM activities and the outdoors, a move that has excited local troops.

The 23 new badges cover activities and skills such as programming, designing and building robots; constructing and testing a model car; and planning an environmentally-friendly camping trip. The goal, the organization says, is for girls to explore areas they're typically not encouraged to pursue outside of Girl Scouts.

With numerous studies showing that women are underrepresented in the ranks of scientists and engineers, Girl Scouts is hoping to change those statistics. A recent study has already shown that Girl Scouts are more than twice as likely as non-Girl Scouts to participate in STEM and outdoor activities, the organization says.

"At Girl Scouts, we believe there is a wellspring of passion, determination, and courage residing within every girl and our organization offers a nurturing environment where she can develop skills to unleash her potential," Girl Scouts CEO Sylvia Acevedo said in a statement.

The organization's largest program-



Girl Scouts participate in outdoor activities at Camp Grove Point in Earleville, Md., in 2014, Girl Scouts of the USA recently announced 23 new badges in STEM and the outdoors.

ming rollout in almost a decade is exciting news for Caron Jackson, who has lead Troop 512 for 23 years. The troop, which draws girls from Newark and part of Maryland, has several girls at the ambassador level - the organization's highest ranking - which has less badge offerings than the lower levels, Jackson said.

Many of the girls in her troop enjoy camping, Jackson said, with the group going on multiple trips a year. The girls recently completed the Outdoor Art Master badge, which was released last year and involved collecting leaves and dipping them in paint to decorate bandanas.

Troop member Alex Trupkiewicz, a ris-

ing high school senior, enjoyed that activity as well as the troop's many camping trips.

"I like being out in nature and going on trails and stuff. It's calming. It's kind of a chance to bond with the other girls in the troop," she said. "It's a weekend where I don't have to think about homework and stress

Trupkiewicz's love of the outdoors will also carry over to her Gold Award project the equivalent of an Eagle Scout project

which will focus on declining pollinator populations. As part of the project, she plans to plant a garden filled with native, bee-friendly plants at Fair Hill Nature Center near Elkton, Md., Trupkiewicz said. The garden will also have signs educating people about why bees are in trouble and how they can help, she added.

For her part, Jackson is still looking over the new offerings but she's glad the girls will have more options when it comes to STEM and the outdoors. Since her troop has girls at different levels, she said it was hard to find badges for her ambassador-level girls that matched options offered at the lower levels.

"I'm hoping that they're starting to develop some things to expand on that,' Jackson said.

Newark doctor pens family memoir spanning three continents

By JACOB OWENS jowens@chespub.com

Although Dr. Anand Panwalker always believed his family's story of struggle, assimilation, uprooting and opportunity was interesting, he never believed it would intriguing enough for others. Surely, he never believed that his story would someday become a 381-page memoir.

"There were occasional suggestions from other people, but I just thought they were pleasantries," he said with a laugh last week.

For Panwalker, an ac-complished 74-year-old complished physician from Newark, the decision to record his family's story came from heartbreak.

"In October 2014, I lost my mother and after she died I realized that by the time I started asking questions about her life, she was not in a capacity to answer," he said. "I realized it was a lost opportunity, so I started reaching out to my extended family members and old friends all across the world to record memories of my family's early life. In the end, this is my mom's story, and it is an incredible one.

What Panwalker came to understand was that his family's story was engrossing to many Americans who don't know much of the early 20th century migrations within the British Empire and at the same time all-toofamiliar for those of Indian descent, whose families likely have similar stories.

Laid out in four parts, Panwalker's "The Place of Cold Water" confronts why his Indian parents moved to Kenya in southeastern Africa, his birth and early life in that British colony, his return to India to gain an education and finally his move to America for opportunity.

Panwalker explains that for both of his parents' families, it was economic choice to move to Africa, although Panwalker's parents joined for very different reasons.



Dr. Anand Panwalker, of Newark, recently published a memoir on his family's journey from India to British Kenya to America.

owed mother without telling her, hopping aboard a transport ship in search of opportunity with only a high school education," he recalled. "He became a clerk and manager, and even joined the British Army in Kenya."

"Meanwhile, my mother's parents were exhausted fighting for independence in the Ghandi movement, in which both were even jailed for years," he said. "After gaining freedom, however, they were disillusioned by the prospects of a successful independence and they had three children to feed. They heard there were jobs in Africa for teachers in the Indian community, so they left.'

More than 30,000 Indian immigrants came to Africa during the early 1900s, many as indentured laborers who helped build the Kenya-Uganda railway. a large cultural center in

"My father left his wid- Kenya, albeit one that was Indians took that as a sign severely segregated.

"There was no upward opportunity in Kenya, because society was segregated and hierarchical," Panwalker recalled. "The English congregated with the English, Indians with other Indians and the Africans with their own. There was no opportunity for integration between the races.'

His parents met in Kenya's capital, Nairobi, which translate to "Place of Cold Water" in Maasai, an indigenous language.

Panwalker grew up in Africa until he was old enough to attend medical school in India, returning to his home afterward in 1968. Kenya, however, was undergoing some rather dramatic transformations.

"I found life to be very difficult. Almost all of the Indians were leaving," he recalled. "In January 1971, Idi Amin expelled all of the Indians from neighboring Uganda, and many Kenya

to come.

In the end, an estimated 3 million African residents of Indian descent left their home in a diaspora. Panwalker left for the United States in search of opportunity, while his parents stayed to provide some income.

"It's incredible that the 11 people in our family, who lived in two rooms in Kenya, all became professionals - my uncle, who became an engineer with Xerox, even cut a record with The Beatles," he said. "We all left Kenya penniless; it was a great struggle and I think it made us better people.'

Compared to the strictly segregated society that he grew up in, Panwalker said he was shocked to see the modern "melting pot" American society of the early 1970s.

"When I came to the U.S. in 1971. I learned values that I had never learned

or known before: justice, equality, fairness, etc.," he said. "They're very unique to America in many ways

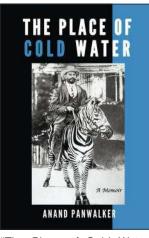
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although many probably take that for granted. When I witnessed how so many cultures lived side-by-side, it was eye-opening."

Through it all, Panwalker developed unique medical teaching methods, and today serves as a clinical professor of medicine at the Sidney Kimmel School of Medicine and the associate vice president for medical affairs at Christiana Care. A fellow of the American College of Physicians and the Infectious Diseases Society of America, he has won numerous awards for teaching and leadership. He raised a son with his wife, Asha, and they still reside in Newark as they have for

Despite his professional and personal experiences, however, writing "The Place of Cold Water" was a new challenge for Panwalker.

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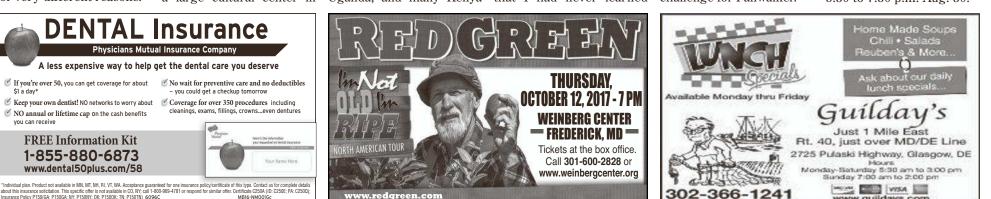
"The Place of Cold Water" by Dr. Anand Panwalker, of Newark, was self-published on Amazon last month.

"I've written articles that were published in scientific magazines and journals, but I've never written something for a non-medical audience," he said, noting his first draft reached 700 pages before he sought out professional editors, who pared it down by about a third. "I tried to put my family's story in the context of current affairs, in regards to revolutions, terrorism, apartheid, independence movements, etc., to make it more interesting and relatable for readers.

So far, the book, self-published on Amazon on July 17, has sold about 80 copies since its release, Panwalker said. He plans to donate all of the proceeds from the book's sale to charity, although he hasn't determined which yet.

From 3 to 6 p.m. Satur-day, Panwalker will host an open house and book signing at Ebenezer United Methodist Church, located at 525 Polly Drummond Hill Road.

For those seeking a more formal discussion on the book and its topics, Panwalker will also participate in a formal book reading and talk for the public at the Medical Society of Delaware, located in the Iron Hill Corporate Center at 900 Prides Crossing, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Aug. 30.



Delaware sets sights on solar eclipse

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Judi Provencal was 14 years old in 1979 - the last time that a total solar eclipse occurred over parts of North America — and she has only a hazy recollection of that celestial event.

"I remember seeing the image of the eclipse re-flected in a mud puddle," Provencal said. "I have vague memories of it."

On Monday, when the next total solar eclipse occurs over sections of this continent, Provencal will use a much more advanced method of safely witnessing the phenomenon. And this time, while doing so, Provencal will possess a much deeper academic understanding of what is unfolding before her

eyes. "I will be up at the observatory, watching through a telescope that has a solar filter on its lens," Provencal But there are ways that said.

she referred is the Mount Cuba Astronomical Observatory in Greenville, and that is where Provencal works as the resident astronomer.

After the solar eclipse she witnessed in such rudimentary fashion some 38 years ago, Provencal went on to earn her Ph.D. in astronomy at the University of Texas in 1994. A year later, she started as an associate professor at University of Delaware, where Provencal has spent most of the past 22 years stationed at the observatory.

Provencal and others at the observatory will host 30 people who have registered to witness Monday's eclipse through that site's highpowered telescopes. Noting appear to get smaller and that the observatory can accommodate only 30 people, noting that it actually will be Provencal suggested that interested people call the observatory at 302-654-6407 to see if there have been any



Judi Provencal, who holds a Ph.D. in astronomy and is an associate professor at University of Delaware, stands beside a telescope at the Mount Cuba Astronomical Observatory in Greenville, where she and others will witness the partial solar eclipse on Monday.

slot openings.

"We have a couple of telescopes that will be open," Provencal said.

The vast majority of the population, of course, will not have access to such high-powered telescopes. people can safely see the so-The observatory to which lar eclipse, which will start about 1:20 p.m. (EST) and peak at approximately 2:45 p.m., before the sky gradually returns to normal during the next 90 minutes or so.

People in Delaware and the surrounding area will experience only a partial solar eclipse. At the height of it, 77 percent of the sun will be blocked by the moon, Provencal said, qualifying that how well people will be able to see this celestial event — here and elsewhere will be dictated by how

clear the skies are. "At first, it will look like the moon is taking a bite out of the sun. As it passes in front of the sun, the moon will appear to get bigger and bigger and the sun will Provencal said, smaller," an optical illusion based on the fact that, while the sun is 400 times larger in diameter than the moon, the sun also cancellations resulting in is 400 times farther away

from earth.

At the peak, she added, "The sun will look like a crescent."

Provencal emphasized that no one should look at the solar eclipse with their naked eyes because it will seriously and permanently damage vision. Moreover, she stressed that people should put approved solar filters on their lenses before looking directly at the sun through telescopes, binoculars and other magnification instruments.

That's because, even at the peak of this partial solar eclipse, 23 percent of the sun still will be exposed.

"Don't look directly at it even with your sunglasses on — because it will burn your eyeballs," Provencal cautioned.

Provencal is urging people to wear solar eclipse eyeglasses, which allow users to safely look directly at the sun while enabling them to clearly discern the sun's shape. Solar eclipse eyeglasses, which cost approximately \$2 to \$15, depending on quality, can be bought at some area stores and online.

"Make sure that the solar eclipse glasses are approved. It should say ISO approved or CE approved," Provencal said.

Using approved solar eclipse glasses is the easiest way to witness the celestial event.

"If you have eclipse glasses, all you have to do is put them on and look up," Provencal said.

Another way to safely view the eclipse: Using telescopes or binoculars, people can project the sun's image onto a piece of white cardboard or paper and then watch that projection as the moon moves in front of the sun, Provencal said.

Along those lines, she added, a person simply can make a pinprick in a piece of paper or cardboard and then, with the user's back to the sun, he or she can let the light shine through that hole and onto a separate piece of paper. The projection of the eclipse will appear on that piece of paper or cardboard, which will serve as the viewing screen of sorts.

"It is a pinhole camera. The pinhole acts like a lens," Provencal explained.

Looking downward instead of upward, people also can safely witness the effects of the partial eclipse. Sunlight streaming through the leaves of shade trees, for example, will cast crescent-shaped lights onto the ground instead of the normal circular lights, Provencal said.

Meanwhile, shadows will be crisper, lacking fuzzy edges, according to Provencal, who remarked, "Shad-ows get kind of weird."

Because this region will experience only a partial eclipse, people will have to actively look for the negligible effects of it.

"It may get a little bit darker, but it will be hard to tell," she said.

A total solar eclipse, on the other hand, is overwhelmingly obvious and visually stunning.

"It is one of the most dramatic things you can see in nature," Provencal commented.

Those who live in or journey to what is known as the "path of totality," a 70-milewide swath that stretches across the United States from Oregon to South Carolina, will witness a total eclipse on Monday. The path also will cut through relatively narrow sections of Idaho, Wyoming, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee and Georgia.

George Kaplan, a Colora, Md., resident, already has witnessed three total eclipses — his first and most memorable one in 1970 at Cape Charles on the tip of the Delmarva Peninsula, his second in Nova Scotia in 1972 and his third in Aruba in 1998.

Kaplan, who has a Ph.D. in astronomy, worked 34 years at the U.S. Naval Observatory in Washington, D.C., before retiring in 2005 and transitioning into parttime consultant work for the observatory. His scientific knowledge of all things celestial, however, doesn't lessen his wonder when witnessing a total solar eclipse. "It is a most beautiful and

awesome event," Kaplan said. On Monday, he and his

wife, Carol, and some friends are venturing to a prime "path of totality" spot in Nebraska to witness the phenomenon.

"The sky will appear as deep twilight. It actually gets dark, but you can still see the light on the horizon, outside the band. Brighter stars and brighter planets, such as Venus and Jupiter, often can be seen," Kaplan said. "The sun looks like a black dot in the sky, except for the corona of the sun. The moon covers the sun and, for about two and a half minutes, you can safely look directly at it."

Kaplan also noted that, during a total solar eclipse, it's common for the temperature to drop slightly,

Local eclipse viewing events

White Clay Creek State Park: Monday, 1 to 3:30 p.m., at Carpenter Recreation Area, 880 New London Road. Locals are invited to come watch the solar eclipse with a park naturalist. Eclipse glasses will be provided to the first 200 visitors. Free, but park fees applv.

Kirkwood Library: Monday, 1 to 2:30 p.m., at 6000 Kirkwood Highway. Attendees can pick up eclipse glasses or make a pinhole viewer projector to safely view the solar eclipse. Free.

for winds to stir or calm and for animals to act as if it were night, such as crickets chirping and birds silencing their songs.

Total eclipses occur about every 18 months to two years, with paths of totality sometimes as wide as 150 miles, Kaplan reported. But the last one that could be viewed from North America happened in 1979, according to Kaplan.

"It is not that rare. But 75 percent of them occur over the ocean and others occur in remote areas that are difficult to travel to," he explained

Although Provencal hasn't witnessed a total solar eclipse — only the mud puddle reflection of that partial one in 1979 — she need only wait about six and half years for another chance after Monday's occurrence, she said. And she will have somewhat easier access to the path of totality then, Provencal added.

"The next total solar eclipse is April 8, 2024 and [the path of totality] passes through Pennsylvania, which is a lot closer than South Carolina," she said.

STAR Campus biotech firm awarded \$400,000 state grant to create jobs

By JOSH SHANNON

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A small biotech company housed at the University of Delaware's STAR Campus has received a state grant to increase its workforce.

The state's Council on Development Finance voted Monday to award a grant of up to \$400,000 to Prelude Therapeutics.

"Importantly, it's performancebased, which means they don't get its founder, Dr. Kris Vaddi, who

the money until the jobs are actually created," said Michael Chesney, spokesman for the Division of Small Business, Development & Tourism.

To receive the full amount, the firm must hire 23 additional employees, Chesney said.

In a prepared statement, Cerron Cade, director of the Division of Small Business, Development & Tourism, praised the company and was formerly vice president of the pharmaceutical company Incyte.

"Prelude is a strong investment for the state, because Dr. Vaddi has a proven track record of growing a biotech company here in Delaware," Cade said. "In the biotech industry, there is pressure to take startups to a place like Massachusetts. So, keeping the company and its significant potential in Delaware is a sign the state is a player in this space.

one of a dozen start-ups located in the Delaware Technology Park's STAR Campus business incubator. The incubator is intended to nurture small companies so they grow and eventually move out on their own.

Chesney said Prelude plans to relocate to a larger location in Delaware but would not disclose where.

The firm, which currently em-

Prelude opened in July 2016 as ploys about a dozen people, is working to develop new drugs to treat cancer.

There's certainly the pressure of expectations, but we are driven by science and the possibility of making a difference in cancer Vaddi said in a statement. care." "If you do good science with clear goals, the rest will happen. I truly hope we can create the next successful biotech company for Delaware.

Canal Little League's run ends in softball semifinals

By JON BUZBY .JonBuzby@hotmail.com

Canal Little League's quest for a World Series championship that started back in early June ended Tuesday night with a 5-3 semifinal loss to Texas.

"I'm extremely proud of these girls," manager Rich Trala said. They have had an amazing journey. Wins and losses don't dictate the experience they have had the last few months, like showing the whole world that a softball team from the state of Delaware competed with pride and class. We are proud to represent Delaware.'

Canal's road to the organization's third appearance in the 12U division of the softball World Series came after going undefeated in the district, state and regional tournaments. Once they arrived in Portland, Ore., the Bear-based team's run to the semis was impressive.

Canal easily won back-to-back games against Canada and the Czech Republic to begin pool play.

A 4-1 loss to North Carolina-Southeast followed, but despite having already clinched a spot in the quarterfinals, Canal was determined to head into the singleelimination phase of the tournament on a positive note. The girls responded with a nail-biting 5-4 victory against Utah-West on Aug. 12. Although it was a win, it was far



SUBMITTED BY COURTNEY MARINUCCI Pictured at the Little League Softball World Series in Portland, Ore., are, left to right, Liv Marinucci, Kylie Saienni and Mikayla Walsh.

from perfect.

"We didn't play our best game today," Trala said shortly after Saturday's win. "Sometimes we take for granted the defensive part of the game. The last few games we lost focus on fundamentals which cost us against Southeast and almost today against the West team."

The girls spent an off day Sunday sightseeing with their families at the state's No. 1 tourist attraction, Multnomah Falls, knowing that 24 hours later they would square off against Oregon-Northwest in the quarterfinals on ESPN2.

The girls are having fun and enjoying the Little League experience," Trala said during the off day. "And our coaches and team are very confident."

The day off from the 10-team. eight-day tournament seemed to do them good. Pitcher Brooklyn Richardson gave up just two hits in four innings and Canal exploded for 15 - Mikayla Walsh was 4-for-4 hits with three RBIs — on its way to an 11-2 victory against the host state to advance to the semifinals.

The team's success sparked interest up and down the first state, with official and unofficial "watch parties" held throughout New Castle County.

What an amazing accomplishment it is to make it to the World Series, but to play the way they did, winning games against the best teams in the world is truly incredible," Canal Little League president Chris Cavaioli said. "Words cannot express how proud we are as a league of our girls and coaches." After playing a consolation game

Wednesday afternoon, the team began preparations to return to Delaware to enjoy a few days of "normalcy" during the waning summer months.

"The girls, the coaches and the families have sacrificed most of their summer but not one of us would trade that for the world,"

said Courtney Marinucci, who, along with her family, was in Portland watching her daughter Liv play. "The girls met players from across the country and around the world. This opportunity is one that many athletes will never get to experience and I'm thankful that Liv and her teammates were able to do

"These girls are winners regardless [of the loss]," Trala added. "I would like to thank my coaches Trinidad Navarro and Kevin Maloney. And all the families and friends here and back home that supported this team."

In addition to Richardson and Walsh, players include Ashlee Trala. Hailee Trala. Hannah Navarro. Rylee Maloney, Liv Marinucci, Olivia Stubblebine, Madison Parisi, Kylie Saienni, Kylie Parker, Hannah Chambers and Sara Ann Sobocinski.

Roberson jumps to track-and-field title

It's been quite a summer for Zak'r Roberson of Newark.

Roberson set a world record for his age with a jump of 17 feet, 234 inches at the United Age Group Track Coaches Association Invitational at Widener University in July. The 10-year-old Higher Heights Track Club member then traveled to Michigan in early August and leaped 16 feet, 17³/₄ inches to win

the long jump in the boys 10-yearold division at the AAU Junior Olympic Games track and field competition at Eastern Michigan University.

SPORTS

Third time's a charm for Carr at world championships

Newark's Rose Carr capped a stellar youth rowing career by winning a bronze medal in the women's straight four crew event at the World Rowing Junior Championships in Trakai, Lithuania.

"After years of hard work, finally getting on the podium at worlds was really exciting and all the more motivating to get back to work to do it again," Carr said. "It's also extra special earning this medal with such amazing teammates knowing that this was not just for us but for the USA as well."

Carr is heading to Ohio State University to row for the Buckeyes.

"Coming off training for worlds is what makes me confident about going into Ohio State," she said. "I know training only picks up from here but I thoroughly look forward to it. And I know I'm in a good position to go in and work really hard with my new team."

Carr also won a gold medal in double sculls at the 2017 U.S. Youth Championships held in Sarasota, Fla., in June.

Newark High begins football preseason under second-year head coach



By JON BUZBY JonBuzby@hotmail.com

The Newark High School football team entered its second season under head coach Barry Zehnder on Tuesday when more than 50 players checked in at The Hive for the first day of preseason practice.

When asked what he was looking forward to the most about this season, Zehnder replied without hesitation: That's easy. The excitement this group of players has about Newark football. This group is filled with a bunch of kids who want to be coached and are fun to coach.

The Yellowjackets will host the Tatnall School for a scrimmage on Saturday at 11 a.m.

Second time around

Zehnder begins his second season at the helm of one of the state's most storied football programs, and like any second-year coach, he learned a lot during his first

campaign. And so did his players.

"Knowing the returning players and the skill sets they bring to the season helps us better create a plan for the year," said Zehnder, whose team finished 3-7. "Last year, I was going off what the assistant coaches were telling me about players. The returning players also now have a good understanding of me as a head coach and the dynamics of the entire coaching staff. Things aren't new to them anymore. They have lived the vision for a year rather than just being told what it is and having to trust what is being told to them."

Zehnder does plan to make some changes this second time around as he aims to lead the Yellowiackets to a winning season for the first time since an appearance in the 2011 state championship game.

"Something I want to change is spending more time on the individual," he said. "I focused very heavily on the program last year and this year I want to do some more things to create better individual relationships with players.'

However, some things will stay the same.

players really responded to was bringing in the former players to talk with them and inserting fun moments at practice," Zehnder said. "We were able to get several former players to come by to talk about various things and sign the Tradition Wall in front of the team, which I think really helped the current guys realize how special it is to play for Newark.

Zehnder also plans to keep things fun again, especially during preseason when the long, hot days can damper the players' enthusiasm.

"Last year we had dance competitions and eating competitions, and even involved the coaches," he said. "The kids seemed to really enjoy it and it helped create some team chemistry."

Introducing the new coaches

Former University of Delaware coach Brian Ginn, who was Zehnder's teammate at UD, takes over the role of offensive coordinator. Ginn brings with him not only a wealth of experience, but also works for a reputable scouting/recruiting service that will enhance the coach-

with players and their families who are interested in playing at the college level, according to Zehnder.

Greg Reese joins the coaching staff as a volunteer. He played at the University of Utah and will work with the defensive linemen.

"Greg has really jumped in and started talking with kids about attitudes, work ethic, and is also teaching them skills," Zehnder said. "He is going to do a lot of working one on one with kids to fine-tune technique and teach them some tricks of the trade."

Welcoming back the veterans

Zehnder pointed out senior Mike Éarl — "He has really developed into a leader for the program" — and sophomore two-way line-man Donald Burton, who Zehnder said has the ability to become one of the "Newark greats," as two key returning starters.

Mele Stallings is competing for the starting quarterback job and spent much of the summer working with Ginn and Bryan Bossard, another former UD player

"I thought two things the ing staff's ability to work and coach who was recently hired as Caesar Rodney's offensive coordinator.

'Mele has started to polish some of that 'rawness' that he had last year, and has really come a long way," Zehnder said of the sophomore who missed most of last season with a broken wrist.

Zehnder mentioned senior Justin White, who played organized football for the first time last year, as probably being the "best story" coming into the season

"He has worked unbelievably hard in the weight room, worked very hard in our spring camp, and listens to everything the coaches say," Zehnder said. "He is now projected to be a starter for us this year on the offensive line.'

Zehnder is also optimistic about several incoming freshmen who impressed him in the weight room.

'We are really excited about their future and what they can bring to our team this year," he said.

Pitching in

One of Zehnder's primary goals since his hiring has been to reignite the com- the next game.

munity's involvement in the football program.

In June, the Yellowjackets held a fundraising golf outing and had 48 participants come out and support the effort, including former Yellowjacket players and even some coaches from other schools.

Ricciardi Brothers Paint, Wholesale Newark and Shone Lumber all donated materials to help improve The Hive (Newark's locker room) and the concession stand. Reds Ferris, a former Newark football captain and owner of Ferris Home Improvement, donated the labor to repair the concession stand.

Zehnder mentioned the team is still looking for the donation of an ice machine for The Hive.

The Buzz from the Hive will be posted online each Monday morning during the high school football season and also in Friday's print edition. It will include some game analysis and exclusive quotes from Newark High football coach Barry Zehnder and select members of the team after they've had a chance to watch game film. evaluate their performance, and begin preparation for

Main Street's Bike Line under new ownership

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The Bike Line store in Newark has been bought by Trek Bicycle, a Wisconsin-based bicycle maker, which will also take ownership of 11 other Bike Line stores across Delaware and Pennsylvania.

Bike Line was founded in 1983 and has operated 16 stores in the region. In May, Bike Line owner John Graves sold his business to Trek, which took over operations in 12 stores in June.

"I wanted to find a partner who would continue to build on the great community we've developed over the years," Graves wrote on the company's website. "I wanted to know the stores would be in the hands of people who share our common values of a passion for cycling, reputation for customer service, and dedication to cycling advocacy.'

"I have found that partner in Trek Bicycle, who will become the

new owners of twelve Bike Line locations," he added. "I know they will do a great job and that your experience with the shops and our shared passion of cycling will only improve and grow as time goes by.

John Burke, president of Trek Bicycles, touted the business's family-oriented mindset and customer service. Trek offers full refunds on purchases within 30 days and attempts to match lower prices from competitors. The store also offers a 24-hour service commitment, or it will loan a bike for free until the bike is serviced.

"I want people to understand this about Trek: It's a family," he said. "The business is owned by the family and employees, and customers are treated like they are part of the family. We take care of people because it is the right thing to do.'

Gradually, the stores have been having their signs changed to say Trek Bicycle. The Newark store's



The former Bike Line on Main Street was bought out by Wisconsin-based bike company Trek.

sign went up recently.

John Neyman, a technician at the store, said the transition to Trek was smooth.

sically one job to another," he said. With the name change comes a few changes in offerings.

"There's new owners, but it's ba-"There's new owners, but it's ba-

fering Trek products. You can still order in many other brands but in the store, we only stock Trek bicycles."

The store will also offer apparel and accessories from Bontrager.

"That's what we stock for gloves, shoes, jackets, helmets, outer wear, and all that stuff," Neyman said. "That same company makes parts like tires and tubes and handlebars."

Asked whether Trek would offer new products or services, Neyman said "not yet."

"Later on, we'll probably get some hybrids for our rentals," Neyman said.

Hybrid bicycles combine characteristics from more specialized bikes for more general use.

Aside from these changes, Neyman said most of the store is still the same.

"Other than that, really, it's the same people working here. It's the same mentality," Neyman said. "It's pretty similar to what we had."





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An artist's rendering shows the proposed layout of the intersection of Main and Haines streets.

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Parklets take up one or more on-street parking typically extendspaces, ing out from the sidewalk and spanning the width of the parking space and are a growing trend in cities like Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle. Amenities could include benches, bicycle parking, landscaping and public art installations.

By standardizing the size of parking spaces — some are currently larger than the standard 19 feet long — the project will actually result in an additional four spaces. That includes eight designated handicapped spaces, of which there are currently none.

The Downtown Newark Partnership has been working on the parklet proposal for several years, and the planned repaving project is an ideal time to implement

A DelDOT image shows what a Main Street parklet could look like.

"It's an opportunity to introduce some landscaping and some of the niceties, said Joe Charma, who chairs the DNP's Design Committee. "It would give people a place to relax downtown with a cold beverage or an ice cream cone.'

DelDOT, though, is not yet on board with the parklet proposal.

"The department isn't comfortable with parklets," LeCates said. "It's a safety thing.

He noted concerns about the safety of people sitting on benches near a lane of travel as well as a possible

effect on drivers' sight lines. He said it is possible Del-DOT will agree to one or two parklets.

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The safety part has to be looked at. We don't want to put people in harm's way,' LeCates said. "It's not pushback, just caution. When you put people that close to the road, you have to be careful."

Megan McGuriman, а spokeswoman for the city, said Newark and DelDOT will continue to work together to agree on a path forward after examining surveys from Tuesday's meeting, which asked attendees if they support parklets and, if so, what kind of amenities they would like to see.

people want, we'll figure out bump-outs, which are conhow to make it safe," Mc- crete sidewalk extensions at

Guriman said.

"It's a collaborative effort," added Deputy Public Works Director Tim Filasky. "Neither one of us is going to strong-arm the other.

Another issue is the cost of the parklets, which will determine how many can be built, Acting City Manager Tom Coleman said, noting that the city has yet to receive estimates.

DelDOT is funding the repaving work, but additional streetscape amenities like parklets are the city's responsibility to fund and maintain. The city has received an \$800,000 federal grant, which requires \$200,000 in matching funds from the city.

The plans presented Tues-"Once we figure out what day show more than 20

crosswalks and are meant to improve safety for pedestrians by making crosswalks more visible and shortening the distance of roadway the pedestrian needs to cross.

Main Street already has several bump-outs, but under the proposal, they would be expanded and more would be added. Some, but not all, would be turned into parklets with benches and other amenities. Coleman said plain bump-outs could be converted to parklets later, as funding becomes available.

He said he is confident the city can find a way to do parklets safely, noting the challenge of being the first town in Delaware to try the idea.

"People do them all over the country, they just don't do them here," he said.

The plan also calls for

stormwater improvements, Coleman said, noting that a large drainage pipe feeds into a small pipe near the intersection of Main and Haines streets. That causes Main Street to flood during heavy rains.

Officials are also planning a new crosswalk at Haines Street.

"Lots of pedestrians jaywalk at this location," Coleman said.

City and state officials hope to finalize the plans over the next couple months so that design work can be-gin. DelDOT plans to start construction in spring 2018, and the project could last up to a year.

Work will be done at night and will be done in segments to allow traffic to continue to flow on Main Street, LeCates said.





Cpl. Sunny Allen with the New Castle County Police Department said she was looking forward to making bracelets with children at the Play Zone event her department hosted Wednesday at Brookside Community Center. Here, she is teaching Aaliyah Thompson, 10, how to tie the brightly colored string in a pattern.

NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JANE BELLMYER

Gaige Greighn, 9, gets into the game against Ofc. Anthony Pierce with the New Castle County Police Department. The department hosted a Play Zone event in the Brookside community Wednesday.

Police, residents come together at Brookside play zone

By JANE BELLMYER

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New Castle County Police Ofc. Anthony Pierce and Cpl. Perry Sorrels took turns shooting basketballs with Gaige Greighn, keeping the 9-year-old active on the impromptu court set up at the Brookside Community Center on Wednesday.

The event was the latest of the department's Police Athletic the event at the last minute and

League Play Zones.

"This is our inaugural Play Zone here," Pierce said. "We started June 30 and we've been jumping to different communities where we saw a need for police/community relations."

Ålready the Play Zone had visited Edgemoor Gardens, Overlook Colony, Hampton Green II and Alban Park.

Linda Adams found out about

park.

"It's pretty cool for them to meet the police officers," Adams said as she engaged Aryana in blowing large bubbles.

Officers also offered cornhole, chalk drawing, board games, bracelet making and brought

enough gear to get a flag football game started.

and we had some ladies around

Nyemah Taylor was just walking by and dropped in for a few minutes to shoot baskets. After making a few throws, she continued on her way up the sidewalk along Marrows Road.

Kelley Neugebauer brought Aaliyah Thompson, 10, and Chris-We've had 30 to 40 people on tian Johnson, 9 months, to par-

dropped by with her granddaugh-ter before taking Aryana, 2, to the said. "Some were as young as 2, Allen engaged Thompson in making a macrame-style bracelet, while Neugebauer watched her son play with a bottle of ice water. Thompson watched closely as

Allen showed her how to tie each knot in the bracelet.

That's what it's all about, Pierce said.

"The most important part is just interacting with the kids," he said.

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Wallace said Monday. "I really do think this will be a major improvement in regards to safety"

One aspect of the plan is what the Delaware Department of Transportation calls a "road diet."

The portion of Cleveland Avenue that is currently two lanes in each direction - between Paper Mill Road and Capitol Trail — will be reduced to one lane in each direction with a shared center turn lane. The turning lanes at either end will remain the same.

Though it seems counterintuitive, officials say modeling shows that reducing the number of lanes won't increase traffic congestion. Traffic gets backed up at the traffic lights, not in the travel lanes, according to DelDOT Chief Traffic Engineer Mark Luszcz.

'We are very confident we can make this work,"



Traffic backs up at the five-point intersection where Cleveland

Avenue, North Chapel Street, Paper Mill Road and Margaret Street meet. By making Margaret Street one way, officials hope to reduce congestion at the intersection.

Luszcz said.

Additionally, the center turn lane eliminates the need for left-turning motorists to stop in a travel lane, a frequent cause of rear-end crashes, as well as frustration

We've had some rather staggering crash clusters involving sitting-duck left Margaret Street meet, Del-

turners," DelDOT consultant Matt Buckley explained last year, adding that other drivers abruptly changing lanes to avoid stopped vehicles also cause concern.

To improve the five-point intersection where Cleveland Avenue, North Chapel Street, Paper Mill Road and DOT will make Margaret Street one way. Motorists will still be able to turn from Cleveland Avenue or North Chapel Street onto Margaret Street but will be prohibited from entering the intersection from Margaret Street, allowing for more green light time for the other roads.

Drivers who currently enter the intersection from Margaret Street will instead be directed to Creek View Drive, the road that runs past Timothy's of Newark's parking lot. A new traffic signal will be installed to allow motorists to turn left from Creek View Drive onto Cleveland Avenue.

Other changes include adding a crosswalk at McKees Lane, building a pedestrian refuge median at the Wilbur Street crosswalk, and implementing a "scramble phase" at North College Avenue, meaning that during a particular phase of the light cycle, all traffic will stop and pedestrians can cross the intersection in all directions — north-south, east-west and diagonally. The crosswalks at McKees Lane and Wilbur Street will be equipped with Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacons, which signal to drivers that pedestrians are about to cross but do not require them to stop like a traditional traffic signal would.

Last month, council approved the first piece of the plan, removing the parking spaces that were on Cleveland Avenue between North College Avenue and North Chapel Street. The parking ban allows for the creation of bike lanes and takes away the hazard of pedestrians darting out from between parked cars to across the road. jaywalk

Notably, though, Monday's vote did not include discussion of the most controversial recommendation, the so-called "Florida T' planned for the intersection of Cleveland Avenue and Capitol Trail. Under the plan, traffic would no longer be allowed to turn left from Woodlawn Avenue. Therefore, the rightmost lane of

northbound Capitol Trail would never have to stop at a red light, reducing backups at the intersection. Officials say this would re-

duce delays by 100 seconds, but the proposal has drawn fierce opposition from residents of Stafford, Windy Hills and Lumbrook, who say eliminating the exit from their neighborhoods would cause an inconvenience and a safety concern.

A vote on the Florida T has not been announced, though DelDOT wants an answer by the end of the year in order to begin design work.

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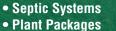
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Monday – August 21, 2017 – 6:00 p.m. Newark City Council Chamber

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PUBLIC AUCTION SENTINEL SELF STORAGE

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465 Pulaski Hwy New Castle, DE 19720 (302) 328-5810 A Public Auction will be held on Thursday, September 14th, 2017 at 11:00 AM. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned.

Unit #128 - Latoya McNair - Bags, Totes

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Unit #120 - Laciya Michail - Bags, Hotes Unit #4010 - Lucille Dingle - Bags, Boxes, Chairs, Dressers, Microwave, Night Tables, Totes, Vacuum, Flat Screen Unit #5006 - Margaret Cullen - Bags, Boxes, Chairs, Suitcase, Dining Table- Vacuum

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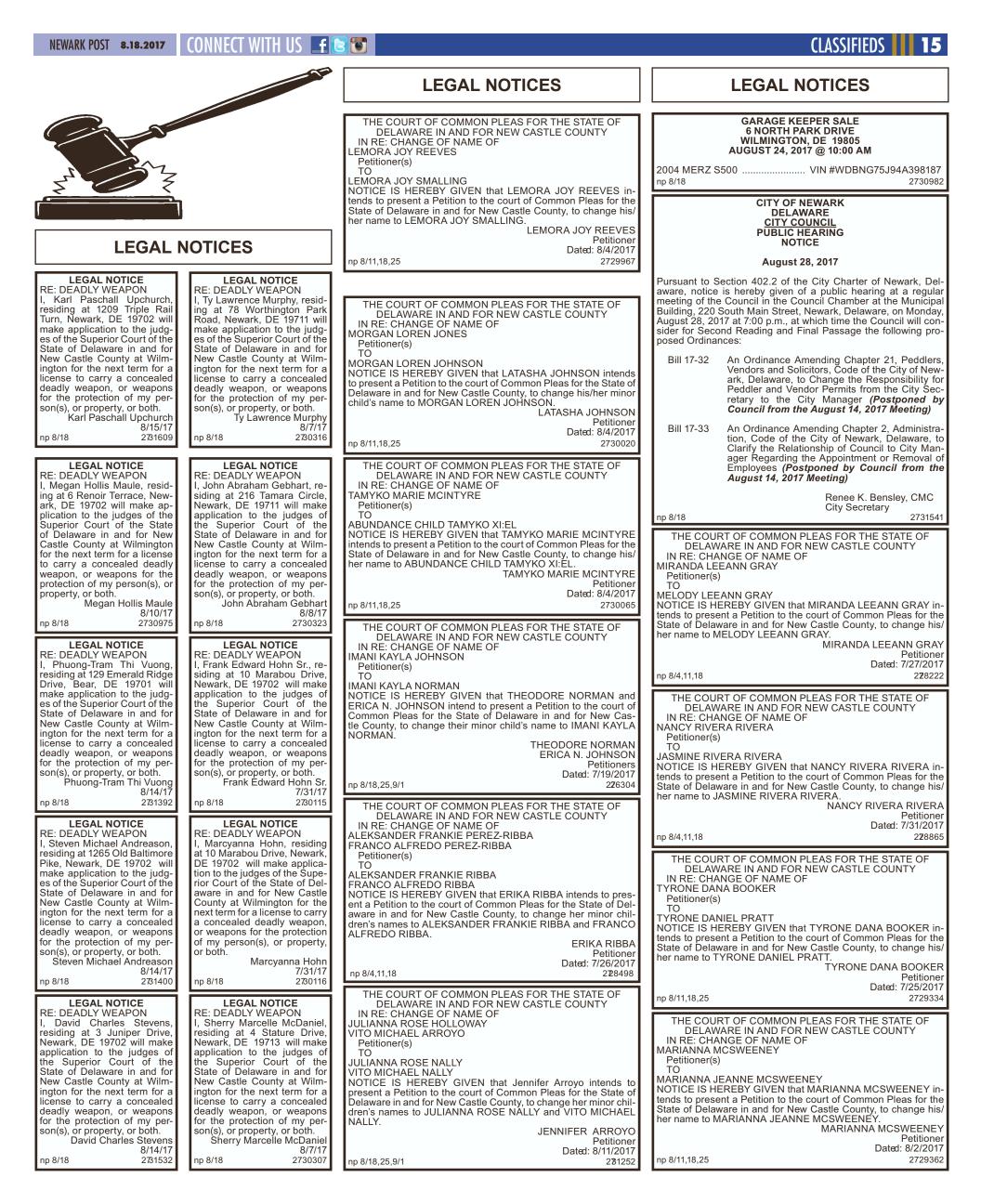
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Unit #161 - Sharon Morsbach - Boxes, (2) kitchen chairs, dress-

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August 21st- August 25th



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